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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I am lucky to have an independent and competitive provider at my home. But I do not have that choice at any of my places of business. And it costs me a lot of money, and makes my life and business options far more difficult. Choice, and competition, is incredibly important, especially when it comes to the internet. I could not sell my product without fast, and reliable internet.

I had an account with Comcast - their service was abysmal, we had many problems trying to keep our phone lines available, and making fast and secure internet connections. They were unwilling to change, to provide better and more timely service, and they continued to increase prices for faster access and better service. It was horrible. Then Sonic became available at my home, and at a far lower cost we got vastly better service at a far lower cost.

But it's not available at my business locations, and we end up paying far higher prices for lousier service. My businesses would be far more competitive and possibly more profitable if I had the ability to get the same fast and reliable internet at those locations that I have been able to get at my home. All because of a high quality, local broadband internet provider.

Please make sure we keep lots of competition amongst the internet providers, and make sure we keep an open and unrestricted internet.

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